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REMEMBRANCE DAY AT WANDONG

The Wandong History Group reminds everyone that Remembrance Day commemorations on Monday 11th November will commence at 10.45am and be followed by morning tea. Please join us on this special day and a chance to collectively remember the service and sacrifice that our soldiers made.

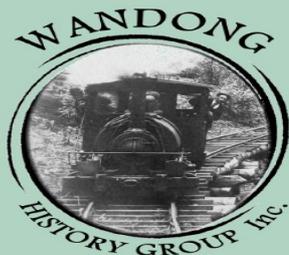


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WANDONG FIRE BRIGADE



Awards Night

Wandong Fire Brigade celebrated its awards night on Saturday the 5th October at the Whittlesea Bowls Club. Michelle Kendrick was awarded her 15-year service award, John Kendrick was awarded his 35 year service award and Pat Leddin was awarded the National Emergency medal clasp for his service during the 2019-2020 bushfires.

The Maurie Scanlon Award was voted for by brigade members and presented to James Peake. James has taken on driver training this year, preparing a number of our members for their truck licenses. The Captain's Award was presented to Dan Watts, who has performed amazing work programming our electronic sign at the front of the station this year.



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Operation Times

Before School Care	6:30am – 8:45am
After School Care	3:30pm - 6:30pm
Pupil Free Day	6:30am – 6:30pm
Holiday Program	6:30am – 6:30pm

ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULATIONS

20 Oct Mark & Chris Page C
29 Oct Peter & Rochelle Gough HJ
1 Nov Darren & Jodie McLennan W
6 Nov Phillip & Lisa Kelly HJ
11 Nov Lisa & Adam Dennehy HJ
14 Nov Kathy & Mick Lawrence K

GAZEBOS AND CHAIRS FOR HIRE

For your next function why not hire a gazebo and chairs from the Wandong – Heathcote Junction Community Group.

For hire are:
two 6m X 3m gazebos,
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Call David on mobile
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COMMUNITY WEBSITES

www.wandong.vic.au
www.upperplenty.com

Mitchell Bushwalking Group

The group walks once a fortnight, with some evening walks during the summer months.

Please contact:
Mary 0428 479 469
or Wayne 0451 519 734
or email
mitchelwalksgroup@gmail.com

for more information

Mitchell Photography Club Inc

Visit our website
(www.mitchellphoto.org)
and click on "About Us"

meets third Wednesday of
the month
(except January) at 7:30pm

Broadford Community Centre

Contact Sarah 0438 847 577
for more information.

BIRTHDAY GREETINGS

We wish the following
people a very happy
birthday

18 Oct	Jim Robson	W
20 Oct	Glenda Watson	W
20 Oct	Rob Dawson	HJ
20 Oct	Bobby Hall	W
23 Oct	Gerard Buggy	HJ
23 Oct	Mollie Colbert	W
23 Oct	Elisa Lehann-Kay	WP
24 Oct	Kara Chisholm	HJ
24 Oct	Ella Stewart	W
26 Oct	Carolyn Morris	W
27 Oct	Joshua Lancaster	W
27 Oct	Candice Lancaster	W
27 Oct	Jake McLennan	W
29 Oct	Tennaia Knight	W
29 Oct	Katie McNamara	HJ
31 Oct	Tony Allen	GC
31 Oct	Bill Candy	W
1 Nov	Chris Page	C
1 Nov	Adrian Zimbardi	K
2 Nov	Daniel Bartlett	W
2 Nov	David Limbrick	B
3 Nov	Jarrad Weller	HJ
3 Nov	David Claxton	Wallan
6 Nov	Sharon Saw	HV
6 Nov	Lisa Candy	W
8 Nov	Karen Dawson	HJ
8 Nov	Jay Kneebone	W
10 Nov	Kevin Bartlett	W
11 Nov	Len Poorter	HJ
11 Nov	Jenny Amoroso	HJ
11 Nov	Robyn Hannemann	W
12 Nov	Tamara Smith	W
12 Nov	Rhonda McDermott	W
13 Nov	Debra Claxton	Wallan
14 Nov	Mark Sannweld	HJ



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Vicar: Rev Ruwan Palapathwala 9014 0696

Web Site: www.christchurchwhittlesea.org

Weddings/Baptisms by appointment

Sunday Services: 10.15am. Incl kids program

Services to the Community:

Whittlesea Opportunity Shop 7 Laurel St
9716 3144 Open M-F 10-4 Sat 9.30-12.30

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Pastor Allan Laurens 5787 1020

Or David Moran 5787 1738

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All Welcome. Love to see you there

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Good morning! Whats in the news this morning? How will we look at or digest today's ideas, problems, tragedies, challenges, opportunities, decisions, finances, health issues, what's in the mail? Emails, come on! we haven't started breakfast and already we are overloaded with decisions. Each one of these items will be handled by yourself in a different way than by somebody who is maybe in a different age bracket entirely! come to think of it probably no two people have the same outlook towards life's circumstances.

Your attitude to disaster, to good or not-so-good news articles, your approach to road rage, your support for fellow workers and their problems or success stories. We are all so different in our reactions to life's experiences. If we stop for a second and realise that we are an independent being, able and encouraged to make decisions depending on our experiences in life. There is only one of us in the whole world! That's worth repeating, that is a powerful message any time we feel down or worthless! there is no one that handles life the same as you do, next time you look in the mirror say hello to a unique human being, a force to be reckoned with. You can choose to be somebody who watches things happen, somebody who makes things happen or others who say what happened? Talking of mirrors there's a message in the heading you can read with a mirror. (See the old codger hasn't flipped yet!) (It gave spell-check a good workout) The Bible says we all have different gifts or qualities that we may already have developed or have not yet recognised. Gifts that we can use, practice, develop or share to change, perhaps not the whole world, but our immediate contacts, workmates, family, or hurting people. What's the Bible say? Care for the widows and the downtrodden!

To recognise and develop your own uniqueness may open up an entirely new aspect and direction for your life. Step out of your comfort zone, you may experience a power within that you have not recognised previously. The world needs you! Remember what we said earlier There is only one of you to do this job! Just for starters, make that phone call, admire a front garden, wave if you make a driving blunder, pay ahead at Maccas! Really listen when your mate wants to talk! Many have commented that they had not experienced such peace of mind, such a time of clearer decision making, and a different approach to the difficulties of life that we all experience from time to time. Search out and develop your special talents, take control of your life, you don't necessarily have to be or think like the crowd, it's refreshing to think outside the square.

There is no better, quicker, low-cost pathway to minimising our mental problems than to lose yourself in the service of fellow human beings! Jesus said step out, take a chance, I've got your back!

A.G. (I've been told often that there couldn't possibly be anyone like me, I hope they were being nice.)

WANDONG HISTORY GROUP

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Thursday 10th October and Karen Christensen was elected President, Lynne Dore elected as Secretary and Sandra Moran elected as Treasurer. It was also decided we would endeavour to employ a person on a casual basis who would support the Secretary and do cataloguing.

Our biggest day of the year, our HISTORY WEEK DISPLAY will be held at the Wandong Public Hall on Saturday 26th October from 10am till 3pm. The display will be celebrating 150 years of railways through Wandong, with a full photographic display of our railway stations with some never before seen photos on display. We are asking a \$2 admission fee to cover our costs. There will be free tea and coffee available.

Wandonghistorygroup4@gmail.com



THE SHACK IS BACK

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GARDEN SCENE WITH GAIL

Wow, October already. Our fruit trees are really working now with fruit developing and lots of new growth, so they need a little extra care with keeping weeds at bay around their base and fertilise them regularly. If rain is in short supply don't risk them drying out even a little because even though the plant will recover it may well affect the fruit and the tree's ability to hold the developing fruit, as in most cases, to sustain life, developing fruit will be dropped for the plant to survive. Maintaining an equilibrium of water supplied to any plant, either by watering or by the rain can be difficult sometimes, particularly if we work away from home and when we leave in the morning it could be rather cool and then arriving home later in the day it could be cool again and this is where an automatic watering system comes in handy. We can determine the amount of water that our plants receive and at what intervals they receive it. Natives in particular can be very intolerant of inconsistencies with the amount of water they receive. If we have had a lot of rain for a prolonged period and then all of a sudden, the rain stops some plants may turn their toes up and die. If the root system has been conditioned to receiving a lot of water and it has adapted to that, any rapid change with less water available to them, can result in a very unhappy plant. It works in reverse as well, plants doing well in a dry area can be very unhappy with a sudden abundance of moisture and this is where it is so beneficial to have good drainage. Some jobs for the month. Remove ripe fruit from citrus plants and give them a good prune to neaten up the plant, cutting away any dead wood and/or wayward branches that cross other branches. Follow up with TLC, fertilising if you haven't done so already and clear long grass from the base and remove any debris throughout the garden. Prune any plants that have finished flowering in preparation for them to push new growth and follow up with fertilising them and if you're going to try and strike any cuttings, now is the time to do it. If you have hanging baskets or potted plants that are looking a little sad this can be a good month to give them a treat. Water well the day before, ensuring you give them a solution of Seasol. Get some good quality potting mix and possibly new hanging basket liners if needed. Prior to disturbing the plants, get all your gear ready. Gently take the plant out of its pot or basket and place it in a cool area out of direct sunlight. If you are using the same pot, take out the old potting mix, clean the pot and replace with fresh potting mix, pop in the plant and top up the potting mix up around the plant but not above the original root ball. In most cases fibre core liners fall apart after a while and they need to be replaced and what I sometimes do is leave the old liner around the plant and pop the new liner on the outside of it. There is less disturbance to the plant, added insulation from the coming heat and there is a little bit better water retention ability. The plant may still need fresh potting mix so gently pull the old liner away, pop it inside the new liner and pop in fresh potting mix, after the plant goes in, top up the potting mix to the original level of the root ball. If the plant is big with heavy growth hanging over the sides, it may be beneficial to leave the freshly potted up basket sitting inside a pot on the ground so it's not susceptible to falling out of the new liner due to strong winds. It may take a while for the plant to settle in, potted plants are not as prone to falling out however, this may depend on the height of the plant, it might need staking until it settles in. A good month to prune hedges particularly if they have finished flowering, (Camellias may still be flowering). I know we need to prune hedges regularly however, if we can do so on a cooler day, it's less stress to the plant. Roses will be pushing new lush growth, and it can be a good time to plant garlic in amongst our roses. Aphids can be devastating, sucking the new growth and generally destroying flower buds but they don't like garlic so double up by mixing a solution of garlic in soapy water and spraying the roses if you spot aphids, these pesky things multiple every 72 hours. And to our veggie gardens: Try beetroot, carrot, dwarf and climbing beans, peas, lettuce and corn seeds. Tomato plants may suffer from late frosts so keep them off the ground in pots and under cover, not facing South.



Have a really lovely month
Gail Mains Kendrick (Your Local Real Estate Agent)



Upper Plenty Merri Catchments Landcare Group

We provide support for land management issues such as weed, pest and erosion control. Also improving soil and biodiversity by providing advice, support, and grant funding.

We meet on the third Wednesday of the month at 6.30pm at "The Shack" 1240 Wallan road, Upper Plenty 3756. ALL WELCOME

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October, another month closer to Christmas. Things have been quiet but Sam and others have returned from holidays and we are starting to gear up. We have a meeting next Wednesday and that we determine future directions.

Bill Forbes has recently had a stint at the Northern Hospital. The story is that he got sick of his own cooking and went there for a decent meal. I am not sure what Marie did but she was probably relieved not to eat his cooking as well.

Marie and Bill have just celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary. We had a big celebration at the Magpie and Stump. Marie received lots of presents. Bill received wine. Putting up with Bill for that long indicates great stamina and perseverance. Bill's multi million dollar shed has been started. It will be bigger and grander than the Taj Mahal.

Steve, that seasoned gambler, didn't realise that the machine that he was trying to use his credit card in was not an ATM but one you use to collect your winnings. Perhaps he thought that the casino would feel sorry for him.

Now Cliff is still trying to operate the railway gates with his house gate remote. It doesn't work but he keeps trying. He decided to help at home by filling up a saucepan with water. Turned on the tap, walked away, came back and the container was still empty. This happened a few times until he determined that he was trying to fill the steamer which is full of holes. This is a scientific experiment by Cliff. Containers full of holes do not fill up.

Must tell you about Dianne. Dining at the Whittlesea bowls club she decided that she fancied warm chicken salad. Up she goes to the desk and asked "is there any chicken in the warm chicken salad?" She was referred to the name of the dish.

Have you heard of the bag lady of Heathcote Junction? She wanders around with a calico bag collecting cans and bottles for the deposit. I won't mention that her name is Dianne S. She has been known to rummage through rubbish tins and to stop on the freeway to collect wayward deposits. We think that she is saving up for a world cruise. She is mostly harmless.

Our Marilyn tells me that she is still fighting fit and is still sorting wool. She sits on her new recliner and winds away to her hearts content. Her family visited and she decided to make pizza. The cooked bases were so hard that they decided to use them as floor tiles. Someone had to go to the shop for real pizza.

Elizabeth and I have just come back from Cape York where I bravely climbed up and over piles of rocks to reach the tip not falling and breaking my neck once. It just amazes me how versatile and athletic I am. Madam also climbed to the tip.

A story about flying in Cape York. Bamaga airport is small and only caters for propeller driven planes. While waiting for a plane to take us back to Cairns we read a monument to a similar plane that went down at the Lockhart river about halfway back. It gives you great confidence.

This will do for this report. I could tell you again about how badly I get treated but you have heard it before.

Catch you next month, Clyde Riley

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Neighbourhood Watch needs volunteers to help protect our community. We are a community based crime prevention program which aims to reduce the incidence of preventable crime in our community. We meet most months on the second Thursday night at the Community Centre in Wandong.

There are many different roles you can volunteer for within our local groups which cater for your skills, energy and interests. Some of the things you could do include:

- Deliver newsletters to the houses in your community;
- Help out at NHW or community events, including assisting at sausage sizzles or family fun nights;
- Help in the prevention of number plate theft by assisting at car safe events;
- Edit our newsletter;
- Maintain our website; or
- Become an Accredited Member and run events to engage with our community.

But volunteering can benefit you personally as it offers the chance to:

- Act on your values, passions and interests;
- Make new friendships and create new networks;
- Gain work experience in event management, social media, etc.;
- Enjoy new social and cultural experiences;
- Develop personally and build confidence;
- Enjoy better physical and mental health;
- Challenge yourself in a supporting environment; &
- Feel warm & fuzzy about helping your community.



Neighbourhood Watch embraces all people, all ages and skill levels and from all racial backgrounds. If you are considering joining your local Neighbourhood Watch group, come and talk to us at the following recruitment events:

- Kilmore Coles – Sat. 19 October, 2024 – 9am – 1pm
- Greater Beveridge Community Centre – Sat. 26 October, 10am – 12pm
- Wallan Police Station Open Day – Sat. 30 November, 2024

Hotlines:

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Emergency

131 444

Police Assistance Line

1800 333 000

Crime Stoppers

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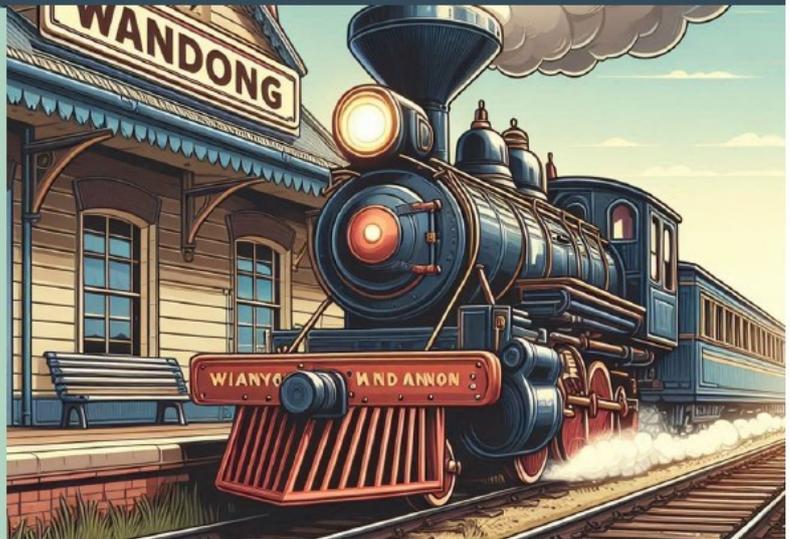
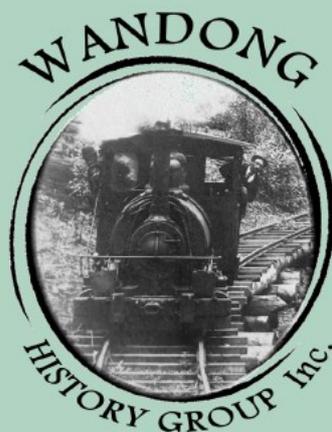
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COME TO BEAR'S CASTLE!

**NEXT TOURS: SATURDAY 26TH OCTOBER
2024**

**Bus tours are conducted biannually during
Autumn & Spring through the Whittlesea Courthouse
Association**

**ENQUIRIES: JOAN TERRELL 0412 907 937
pte40164@bigpond.net.au**

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Tours leave the Courthouse at 10.00 am & 2.00 pm sharp**

**COST \$40.00 adults \$25 kids- refreshments included. (2 - 2 ½ hour, tours)
Tours unsuitable for children under the age of 10 years**

**See inside the historical site & visit the
Yan Yean Reserve's, historical 'Caretaker's Cottage'**

Bear's Castle, Yan Yean:



Rabbit Management

If you want to control foxes, start with the rabbits!

The Upper Plenty Merri Catchment Landcare Group and Mitchell Shire Council are hosting an information session with Neil Devanny from the Victorian Rabbit Action Network. This session will equip Landowners and Managers with the knowledge to help reduce Rabbit numbers in their communities.

Register Here: <https://events.humanitix.com/rabbit-management>

19 OCTOBER 2024
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2024 Classes & Activities from 15th July 2024

Masks Strongly Recommended – COVID-19 Rules Subject to Change.

All activities to be held at Wallan Neighbourhood House (WNH) unless otherwise indicated.

New Classes and Activities will be published as they become available – Register for new classes at U3A Wallan office

Class	Time	When	Location
Card Craft - Marleen	1-2.30pm	Mondays <i>Except 1st Mon Monthly</i>	Private Venue
Card Craft - Carole	10-12pm	1 st & 3 rd Friday Monthly	WNH
Computers	From 10am – 11am	Wednesday Monthly <i>Resume to be advised</i>	WNH
Dancing	1-3pm	Tuesdays Weekly	WNH
Fun Cooking Class	10-12pm	3 rd Friday Monthly	WNH
Guitar Lesson	12.15-1.15pm	Thursdays Weekly	WNH
Italian	10.30-12pm	Thurs weekly <i>Except School Holidays</i>	WNH
Luncheon Club	12pm	Last Fridays Monthly - Carpool from WNH 2024 Luncheons TBC	Held at Venue
Mah-Jong	10-12pm	Tuesdays Weekly	WNH
Pilates	9.30-10.30am 1.30-2.30 pm	Mondays weekly Thurs weekly	WNH
Tai Chi	9.30-10.30am	Wed Weekly	WNH
Trivia with John	1pm-3pm	Fridays Monthly <i>2024 Next Trivia to be confirmed</i>	WNH
Walking	9.30am	Fridays Weekly – <i>Contact Secretary if you wish to walk</i>	WNH meet top of stairs
Write for Life	12.30-2.30pm	Wednesday Monthly <i>Resumes to Be Advised - Except school holidays</i>	WNH
Water Aerobics	1.00pm 10.00am	Mon / Wed Fridays	Cost: Casual \$15 10 classes \$110 HIDDEN VALLEY

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME, NEW VOLUNTEERS TO JOIN THE COMMITTEE ARE VERY WELCOME!

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Course Co-Ordinator - Wendy B

Timetable / Sessions 2024

General Enquiries/Enrolments: secretary@u3awallan.org.au

Inclusive Music Group



"Caught in Session"

Where? Old Kilmore Court House, Sydney Rd Kilmore

When? From 2pm, last Sunday of the month.

Who? Any one able to play or learning an instrument. Beginners welcome!

What? All instruments and voices welcome. Celtic/folk music.

****At our first session we had ukelele players, recorder, tin whistle, flutes, guitar, fiddle, banjo, bodhran, singers. We are trialling different music and songs to see what works with different instruments and ensure everyone gets to play/sing for some of the session. Not everyone plays all at once, depends on if the music suits.**

BYO mug for a cuppa, (we'll take turns to provide a light munch) gold coin donation for power costs

For further information contact Fiona - 0410 918 790

CLONBINANE C.F.A.

A recent CFA Survey revealed that 45% of Victorians living in bushfire prone areas are not concerned about bushfire safety despite being at increased risk.

CFA Chief Officer is urging all residents in fire risk areas to take their safety more seriously and begin preparation now.

Whilst CFA is well prepared to respond to emergencies its crucial to remember that bushfire safety is a shared responsibility. We can not guarantee that every home will be reached in time during a bushfire. All residents need to have their own bushfire survival plan and take proactive measures to protect their property.

CFA has resources available to help people prepare but its vital that the community actively seeks out this information before its too late.

Find information at Clonbinane Fire Station (10am Sunday Mornings) or visit www.cfa.vic.gov.au

As a brigade we are preparing for summer, and we ask that members of the community also take this opportunity to do the same.

Now is the time to:

- Cut back over hanging branches (no branches within 10m of buildings)
- Remove shrubs, plants and other flammable materials from the bottom of your trees
- Look for bark and dead branches hanging off your trees
- Keep shrubs and other plants pruned and away from your house
- Don't leave piles of green waste near your home (take it to the tip or, if you can burn off before restrictions come into force)



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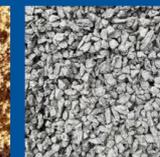
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Wandong Primary School

Farewell Mrs Beer!

Thank you to everyone who came to wish Mrs Beer farewell. We wish her all the best with her retirement and new life chapter! Come and visit soon!

TERM 4 EVENTS

Before we know it, we will be into Term 4, otherwise known as the busiest term of the school year. With our whole school camping program, grade and staff selection and various end of year celebrations such as our end of year Box Car Extravaganza, we will surely be flat out with the potential to ‘miss’ something. Keep your eyes open for information and please ensure you are aware of dates and events that require consent and payment. Please also advise us if you are leaving/moving schools and above all else check the newsletter weekly for updates on a range of important matters. Newsletters are archived, so if you happen to miss one or two, just jump onto our website and do some catch up reading.

SEW in 3/4G – R U Okay Day

Last term in 3/4G, we celebrated R U Okay Day, a National Day of Action highlighting the importance of meaningful conversations to support mental health and wellbeing.

As a class, we discussed the following question – Who are the people in your life that you can talk to? Students investigated the role, different types, and levels of support from different areas of their lives, such as friends or family, community networks, or formal services like Kids Helpline.

Students participated in a game of ‘Conversation Bingo’, designed to support students in building connections with their peers and form trustworthy relationships to allow them to have meaningful relationships with one another.

They then completed a worksheet outlining the support networks around them, should they need to turn to someone for support. Inside the body outline, students brainstormed or creatively represented their personal support network. Inside the house outline, students brainstormed or creatively represented people at their school or in their local community that they can talk to. Inside the world outline, students brainstormed or creatively represented organisations across the world who work towards making sure people are okay, for example Kids Helpline.



School Hat Reminder

As per our Sun Smart Policy, “children are required to wear a sun smart hat that protects the face, neck and ears whenever they are outside from September to the end of April”.



KEY DATES

Sunday 20th Dance Club and Choir - 8.00am - selected students only
Wednesday 23rd PAFA - next meeting: 9.15am - 10.15am
Friday 25th World Teachers Day

NOVEMBER 2024

Friday 1st Foundation Day Camp - consent and payment due today.
Grade 1 / 2 Camp - consent and payment due today.
Grade 3 / 4 Camp - consent and payment due today.
Grade 5 / 6 Camp - consent and payment due today.
Monday 4th Curriculum Day - No Students - if your child requires care,
Please book in at <https://theircare.com.au/>
Tuesday 5th Melbourne Cup public holiday.
Thursday 7th Sushi and Rice Paper Roll - orders close today
Friday 8th Foundation transition #1
Working Bee - FC, 1/2W & 5/6B 2.30pm – 3.30pm parents welcome.
Tuesday 12th Sushi and Rice Paper Roll lunch - PAFA
Friday 15th Foundation transition #2



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Gilt edged Guilt in a bottle!

Dr Edmond Locard a French criminologist pioneered forensic science and formulated the basic principle of the science: "Every contact leaves a trace". At the September meeting of the Combined Probus Club of Whittlesea Mr Phillip Wynn a Forensic Scientist was the guest presenter and left members with no doubt that the principle is true and proven.

Phillip joined the Victorian Police forensic team in 1970 and spent his working career in the art and science of tracing evidence and solving crimes. His first decade was in an ancient building in Melbourne's central business district which the fire and other authorities recommended was not fit for purpose as the nature of exhibits required a level of security and safety (consider Arson exhibits, Biological hazards, Flammables and Explosives, Firearms, Precious items, etc. In a mainly wooden, rambling structure) In the 1980's a modern facility was built at McLeod and is still the headquarters. The early days were very much hand to mouth existence with little government funding beyond the basics.

But as technology advanced and evidence gathering became more exacting, the forensic folks came to the fore. Mr. Wynn explained that forensic scientists are now treated as expert witnesses and support for the court. As expert witnesses they can offer opinions and are not constrained by the limitations of barristers seeking only yes or no answers.

He gave an example of one case where the murder weapon was a beer bottle which had been smashed and left at the crime scene. A suspect was taken into custody and his clothing subjected to forensic examination. A shard of glass was found in the cuff of the trousers. By gingerly gluing all the other glass fragments together a bottle with a hole in the body that exactly matched the recovered piece was the evidence to convict.

He explained that to attain successful prosecutions the forensic evidence must be continuous to prove that contamination of any form has not occurred. An example of self-incrimination was offered. A housebreaker while "on the job" decided to have some cheese from the refrigerator, but the bite mark he left matched the denture of the accused. The techniques used in this case are similar to those used in any tool matching or other impression related task.

Nowadays scientists work with samples that can be as small as a millionth of a gram and the continual introduction of mixtures of chemicals and other substances require continuous modification of techniques for purification of these sometimes complex mixtures, (consider minute doses of drugs or drug metabolites distributed through the human body).

Even the introduction of colour photography to a court of law may cause argument with one of the parties arguing manipulation of the image with light and shade or other computerised capabilities.

In document examination the ink of common ball point pens may be of different composition and while appearing one colour in visible light, when examined under different lighting conditions alterations may be observed due to the different composition. This relatively simple technique has the advantage of simplicity and ease of understanding, absolute, non destructive, ability to be conducted anywhere in the world with consistent results and low cost.

Examples of Arson Investigation and techniques used in firearms investigation were also discussed.

Mr. Wynn spoke about "recreational drugs" such as marijuana and explained that this is a most complicated subject and as the brain is a highly complex organ anything that affects the brain may be highly dangerous and not fully studied. Only in recent times has the medical and scientific fraternity become more aware of the whys and wherefores of Aspirin (a relatively simple chemical affecting well studied organ) that has been in use since the 19th century.

Time caught up with Mr Wynn but what he imparted was thought provoking and gave the attending members much to ponder. Teresa Carlin the speaker co-ordinator thanked him and gave a token of appreciation.

Written by Michael Halley



Upper Plenty Merri Catchments Landcare Group



Last month we had Tim Curmi, Victorian President of Native Fish Australia, delivering an interesting presentation to our Landcare group on 18 September. Native Fish Australia (NFA) is a community-based volunteer group dedicated to the protection, promotion and enhancement of Australia's unique and often endangered freshwater native fish and the waterways they inhabit.

Tim spoke about the species endemic to the Plenty and Merri catchments and, given their size, the challenges they face following the introduction of non-native species such as Carp and Trout. He also discussed the early settler's translocation of other native species that would not naturally be found in local waterways such as Murray Cod and Macquarie Perch.

Tim explained the NFA also conduct a breeding program hosted at Latrobe University that produce fingerlings for release. This opportunity is for members to get involved in NFA activity by the stocking of suitable farm dams to establish populations of these native fish, such as Galaxias and Pygmy Perch. These can then be used to repopulate local rivers and streams.

Anyone interested in joining or volunteering with Native Fish Australia, should contact them directly at: president@nativefish.asn.au

We also had Trevor Hausler, a Waterwatch Volunteer from the Friends of Merri Creek, lead a family activity day alongside Bruces Creek. The purpose of the day was to introduce children to the fun of amateur environmental monitoring as well as to get an understanding of the health of our creek locally by assessing aquatic invertebrate populations. Trevor demonstrated how to collect stream samples, and how to sort the various specimens into like categories, such as the various larva of caddisfly, mayfly and dragonfly, as well as water beetles. The presence and absence of different species and their numbers is then used to assess overall waterway health.

Samples taken at the Mt Disappointment State Forest boundary revealed that Bruces Creek is already under stress straight off the mountain. Water samples taken a few kilometers downstream, after the water has travelled through cleared areas (such as farmland) to the activity site, revealed that the creek was nearly as healthy as it was where it exits the forest. This survey will be our benchmark, and hopefully we can repeat the exercise over the coming years to monitor the health of Bruces Creek. A big thanks goes to Tim and Trevor for their time, patience and expertise. All the attendees, children and adults alike rated the two events highly, and didn't want to go home!

Upcoming events:

Wednesday 16th October 2024 - UPMCLG Committee Meeting – The Shack (Upper Plenty Mechanics Institute Hall): 6:30pm – 7:30pm

Saturday 19th October 2024: Rabbit Management Day – Wandong Public Hall 9:30am – 2pm Lunch provided. Registration essential:

<https://events.humanitix.com/rabbit-management>

Wednesday 13th November 2024 – Talk from Stephanie Larkin from Envu – The Shack (Upper Plenty Mechanics Institute Hall): 7:30pm onwards (after the committee meeting)



THE THREE BRUSHES ART SHOW

Sharon Delaney is the owner of The Three Brushes studio in Wandong. She currently has 170 students and on Sunday 8th September she held the 6th year of her art show at the Wandong Public Hall where the students displayed their amazing artwork.

The students were awarded prizes, trophies, ribbons and certificates and Sharon thanked the judges. She also thanked the following sponsors: Wellington Square and Bendigo bank our major sponsors, Jess Pendlebury of Pfit Fitness and nutrition, Kimore hub cafe, Raven earth herbal remedies, Macs Irish pub Kilmore, Monte Marte art supplies, Mandala Art mosaic, Jenny Zlebek, Lauri Rowe and unnamed friends, the Mealy family, the Parkinson family, Sharon Mac, the Wandong Heathcote Junction Community Group, IGA in Wandong and the Post Office in Wandong.

AWARD WINNERS

Winner 6 years and under Brightest - Aubrey Jackson - the palm beach ocean
 Winner 6 years and under Most Fun - Blake Sanders - blue puppy

Winner 7-8 years Best Cartoon - Ollie Clark - Koala
 Winner 7-8 years Best Animal - Lilian Stratourides - little bird on blossom
 Winner 7-8 years Best Scene - Emmerson Old - Galaxy
 Winner 7-8 years Most colourful - Banjo Eberbach - Cactus
 Winner 7-8 years Most creative - Matthew Whitson - Floating Island

Winner 9-10 years Best wildlife/animal - Grace Delovski - Bird in gum leaf
 Winner 9-10 years Most original - Zara Parkinson - Army resupply
 Winner 9-10 years Most imaginative - Annabelle Ray - Cosmic unicorn
 Winner 9-10 years Most like Character or figure - Charli Crozier - Special Moment
 Winner 9-10 years Best Landscape/scene - Alice Sillery - Best landscape

Winner 11-14 years Most original - Dusty Norton - Frida Kahlo rose
 Winner 11-14 years Best technique/skills shown - Shyla Coombs - Loen Kenny
 Winner 11-14 years Best Botanical/fauna/scene - Tiffany Horin - Chickens
 Winner 11-14 years Most Detailed - Adem Ceylan - Jordan 1s

Winner 15-18 years Dynamic images - Olivia Gibbs - Whimsical tree

Winner All Abilities Best Scene - Liam Munro - indominus rex
 Winner All Abilities Most unique - Jasmine Harrison - Unicorn Fantasy
 Winner All Abilities Best Creativity - Georgiana Bain - Medieval /Siren

Winner Adult - Most Inspirational - Lauri Rowe - Boy with Dog
 Winner Adult - original environment - Janene Paynton - Peacock

Winner model, mosaic Etc Lucia Muston - Mosaic Elle
 Winner model, mosaic Etc Jackson Rees - Godzilla

All rounder teacher's choice trophy Hannah Filipovic
 Most improved trophy Charlotte Ivory
 Most persistent trophy Tilly Perterson





As the weather starts warming up, at long last more and more of the community are coming down to the reserve to utilize this great facility we have in our community.

It is good to see the Reserve full of life with our community supporting their groups and other activities enjoyed by those who participate.

Walking the dogs, kids in the playground, individuals/groups doing their fitness workouts, mums with the kids in the pram, riding bikes, playing football-Kick to kick and Goal shooting practice, passing shots in netball, shooting hoops at the basketball ring, riding the horses, training dogs to behave, Wandong primary doing their sporting activities on the Oval, Wallan basketball in the Stadium, having a hit of tennis, doing a round activities at the newly installed exercise pod.

The summer user groups are in planning mode and ready to commence their prospective season.

Mitchell Agility Dog Club., Junior Tennis /Saturday Afternoon Tennis, Night Tennis, Standardbred Riding Club., Kilmore and District Adult Rider's Club, Cricket, School Sports.

Continued developments at the Reserve will complement our sport groups and community. We are very lucky to have a Reserve that has character and bush ambiance that complements our communities.

Vandalism at the L.B.Davern Reserve

13th September 2024

It is with disappointment that the L.B.Davern Reserve has been hit with major vandalism that has disrupted the activities of the Reserve. The Reserve was attacked with copper theft of our major cabling at the Reserve that has cut power to the Stadium,Oval lights,Tennis /Netball court Lights and Wandong Tennis Club Rooms.

Damage also occurred to various bollards, major pole to the netball/Tennis courts, the Wandong PreSchool sign, other signs and the oval gate lock was cut off.

The Police and the Mitchell Shire are following up with this investigation and camera footage has been obtained, If any locals have any information on the vandalism at the Reserve please contact the police.



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Stadium Break in 29th September 2024

The weekend of 28/29th September – School Holidays, the Stadium was broken into and various damaged occurred inside the Stadium.

If anybody in our community would like to share any photos of History of L.B Davern Reserve for us to share on what's News please send to kooraw@bigpond.com



Solar Light

Solar Lighting comes to the Reserve, This light has been installed to light up the main entrance to the Stadium and Tennis Club.



L.B.Davern Reserve Committee of Management

A.G.M

**Thursday October 17th 2024 at 7.00pm,
Followed by General Meeting at 7.30pm
Community Centre**

L.B.Davern Reserve Dry Creek Crescent, Wandong

“Community Centre is Back for Bookings”. We are now taking bookings, enjoy the new refurbishments of the Community Centre. Sports Pavilion normal business applies.

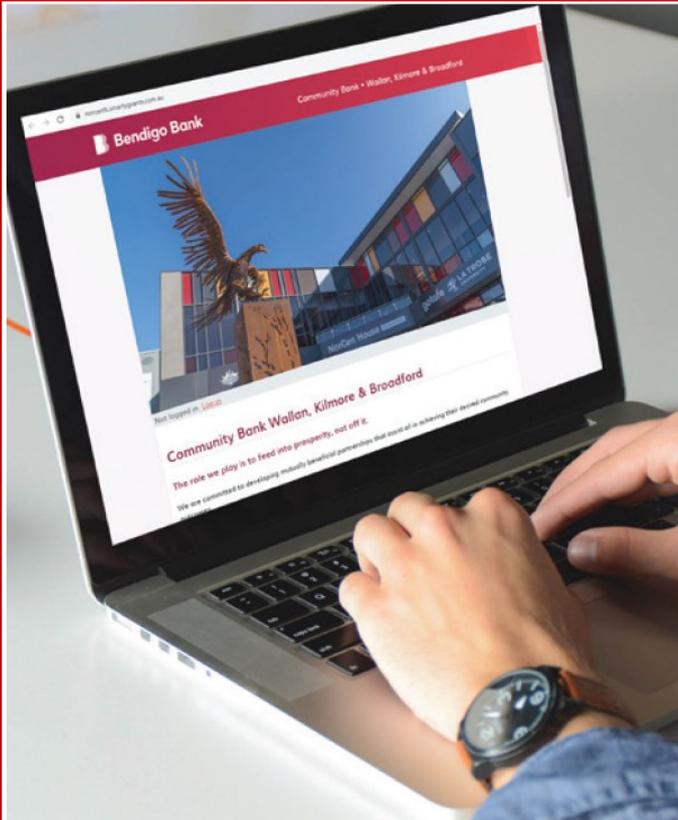
Our Community building is a great asset to hold Kids parties, family type events and private functions of all sorts. Please consider when planning a function. You can contact our booking officer Darlene Gunter on 0418 312 762.

For all L.B.Davern Reserve Bookings to either:

- **Oval Bookings, Stadium bookings and enquiries :**
 - Mitchell Shire Council Recreation and Open Space unit ph. 5734 6200.
- **Community Centre and Sports Pavilion contact:**
 - Darlene Gunter Booking Officer for the WHJSCC on 0418 312 762



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Our Town's Football Club

Presentation day and the clubs AGM was held on the 8th of September. We celebrated the most successful year the club has had in recent times both on and off the field. Participation numbers up, two teams in the finals. A runners up and a Premiership. Our MND round was a huge success , raising funds for the MND charity and dunking some coaches along the way. We also welcomed a raft of new sponsors on board and upgraded essential items for the continued operation of the club.



Pictured to the left: The all-conquering U12s Premiers. The twelves had a fantastic year only dropping one game over the entire season. Growth shown by the kids throughout the year has been amazing and was so pleasing to see their hard work pay off. While we will lose some of the players to the 14's next year numbers are strong and will be bolstered by top age 10's making their way up into the next age group.

Great success also with our U16's. Our meeting to gauge numbers and interest was overwhelming. Wandong Warriors looks set to once again field a U16s team.

Exciting times ahead for the club

For all up-to-date news please follow us on Facebook

 Wandong Junior Football Club

We would like to thank our round sponsors; without their generosity our club would not exist.



Junior champions 'toast' water partnership

8 October 2024

Wandong netballers are among thousands of junior sportspeople in the region embracing Goulburn Valley Water's Choose Tap message after participating in the Building Winter Champions program.

They were among more than 40 junior sporting and community groups involved in the promotion that encouraged primary school aged sportspeople to make water their drink of choice through the supply of water bottles.

In all there were more than 3000 water bottles distributed to participating clubs, which also included equestrian, calisthenics, scouting, soccer, football, rugby, tennis and primary school groups.

GVW Managing Director Steve Capewell said the Choose Tap message was an important reminder of how lucky we are in the Goulburn Valley to have access to safe and quality drinking water.

"More than a billion people worldwide don't enjoy the same luxury and sometimes in Australia we take our tap water for granted. Choose Tap aims to remind people of the financial, environmental and health benefits of drinking water," Dr Capewell said.

"Being able to provide sponsorship to clubs, groups, organisations and schools wanting to promote the benefits of tap water to their communities is an important part of the Choose Tap program."

Wandong received 50 GVW water bottles for their Under 9, 11, 13 and 15 netballers, who have direct access to drinking water from the GVW permanent hydration station which is located alongside the netball courts at Wandong's LB Davern Reserve.

LB Davern Reserve at Wandong is one of almost 30 recreation reserves in the region that are now home to Goulburn Valley Water permanent hydration stations, offering 24/7 access to drinking water.

They promote the GVW Choose Tap message, which aims to increase awareness of the health and environmental benefits of drinking tap water.

Wandong Netball Club Rachael Downey said the water bottles had been a big part of the season, as had the nearby drinking fountain.

"The bottles are a good reminder of how important staying hydrated is and with the drinking fountain at the rec reserve there is always a chance to fill them up," she said.

Goulburn Valley Water offers sponsorship support to sporting and community groups on several fronts, with more information available at [Sponsorship | Goulburn Valley Water \(gvwater.vic.gov.au\)](https://www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/sponsorship)



WANDONG NETBALL CLUB



>>> WINTER SEASON PRESENTATION

We celebrated the Winter comp with an 80's themed dress-up presentation day. Everyone looked amazing!

Thank you to our incredible Committee for setting up and making the day a colourful 80's wonderland for all to enjoy.

>>> AWARD WINNERS

Congratulations to the following players who were awarded on the day.

Lead Goalers

- U9 Green - Wynter Irons 41 Goals
- U11 White - Jayde Hall 26 Goals
- U13 White - Tyler Horton 159 Goals
- U13 Green - Isabelle Leiper 77 Goals
- U15 White - Jack Hadisutanto 102 Goals

Coaches Award

- U11 White - Abi Cox
- U13 White - Abby Welch
- U13 Green - Tahni Saunders
- U15 White - Abbey Mathieson



Best & Fairest Runner Up

- U11 White - Piper Phillips
- U13 White - Zoe Bell
- U13 White - Natalie King
- U13 Green - Dylan Cairns-Foster
- U15 White - Abby Miller

Best & Fairest

- U11 White - Jude Whelan
- U13 White - Tyler Horton
- U13 Green - Isabelle Leiper
- U15 White - Jack Hadisutanto



Sharni Layton with the Wandong Crew

>>> NETFIT CLINIC

We hosted our first ever Netfit clinic and it was so much fun. 60 kids from across the local area participated in a full day clinic. They were lucky enough to have the likes of shooting superstar Rahni Samason (former Vixens) & defence legend Sharni Layton (former Australia Diamond) join them for the day. The Ice Bath was a huge hit and we look forward to watching the skills transfer to match day.

>>> NET SET GO

NET SET GO is ready to start up again. NetSetGo is designed for players aged 5 to 10 who are ready to begin or enhance their netball journey.



Teach your Kids and Dogs how to live together. By Anne Zelvys

I give no apologies for the graphic photos on this page. This is such an IMPORTANT LESSON for all to learn particularly those who have family dogs. Even if you don't currently have kids you may still aim to take dogs out in the community or have strangers visit your home. It is the pet parents role to prepare the dog for the unexpected.

There are many video's now on social media and television shows that depict dogs licking faces and jumping up on the furniture to cuddle with the kids. These have even been shown on Promos for an upcoming rescue show, which just horrifies me as this is sending totally the wrong message.

We have to remember that respect and boundaries MUST be in place before we consider if these situations are ever appropriate and we must also remember it is the adults job to teach dogs how they see kids of different ages.



Let's face it ! - Kid's Do Stupid Things - Often Kids do whatever they want and it is common to see their parents do NOTHING to create boundaries and manners. So kids will force their presence onto the dog without any thought.

Remember Kids can't read the subtle cues from the dog, hence there can be unpleasant consequences. Dogs don't like kids trying to hug them (especially unknown kids). Nor do dogs like to be sat on, grabbed or ridden like a pony. Once kids start crawling they are prone to grabbing and holding on. Even up to 5 years old, most kids don't have any idea how to behave around dogs. The adults must be the ones who manage this and make sure the dog and kids are safe.

Kids Tease Dogs - Kids of all ages like to play silly games and will even 'Prank' the dog. Kids might grab the dog's toy and hide it, or they might chase them and hit them with a stick, often kids will tease dogs with food. Dogs often don't understand the game and then may react and snap. Even if the dog is used to kids playing silly 'Games' then the dog is likely to start playing with the kids and this can have terrible consequences. Remember often the kids face height is just near the dogs mouth and the mouth is full of sharp teeth.



Dogs have sharp teeth and they bite !



Dogs bite because of fear, stress or danger. If your dog perceives a threat they will bite. **Dogs will also bite when they play.** Loud, boisterous unruly kids may be enough to raise the dog's excitement level and dog can start to rush and bark.

If the dog is inexperienced they are not able to determine what is going on and this will frighten many dogs and put them on alert. Should a kid grab

a dog around the neck and pushes his face into the dogs face. The already heightened dog reacts and bites. It only takes a second and everything can go horribly wrong.

What we thought was cute, now a huge problem - Scarring a kid mentally and physically.

Dogs must not put their mouth on a human and humans should not get into the face of a dog.

Who is to blame..... ? Sorry but it is NOT the Dog !

The owners of the dog have failed to support and teach their dog how to deal with the unexpected... There is so much bullshit out there... Trainers are inconsistent and often think that LOVE & COOKIES will solve the problem. But society as a whole is sending the wrong message. If the adults don't respect the dog, how can the children learn....

Alfoxton Tip : Set the right example - for kids and dogs

No dogs on the furniture - that way they are not near the kids face.

No kissing or snuggling dog's face - this limits the chance of a sudden fright.

Don't leave kids alone with dogs - Kids under 8-10 don't make good choices.



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Don't use your bloody phone at the park - you are responsible for your dogs behaviour.

Supervise your dog - Don't get on social media.

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SUDOKU

Answers on page 30

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THIS MONTHS QUIZ

Answer appears on Page 30 but no cheating!

- Who won the first AFL grand final in 1898?
- Which ground hosted the first AFL grand final?
- Who is Prime Minister of England?
- Who is third in line to the British throne?
- How many edges does a pyramid have?
- What colour is amethyst?
- What is Australia's most common animal?
- Who lit the flame at the Sydney Olympics?
- Who has won the most Olympic gold medals?
- Where is Kirribilli House?
- Is cucumber a fruit or vegetable?
- What countries own Mount Everest?
- What city is at the mouth of the Mississippi River?
- What city is called the City of Lights?

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At the request of readers Whats News has included the eulogy for Sue Marstaeller OAM - by Sheree Tivendale (celebrant)

Susan Louise Penman was born on the 24th of January 1957 in the women's hospital in Melbourne to her parents, John and Fay Penman. She had two brothers Mark and David, David sadly passed before her.

Sue's childhood was full of all the usual things. Sue was always free spirited but some of her fondest memories were of family holidays, not necessarily the beach holidays though and the beach house, Sue was not really a beach kind of girl. Mostly because with her fair skin she was a magnet for sunburn! She did enjoy holidays to Lake Eppalock where the family had a van and she made very good friends on these holidays.

But she did love to swim. She would take herself down to the pool early in the morning and would train.

As would come as no surprise to many you, Sue was a very diligent student and always did well in her studies. She attended Gellibrand Cres Primary School in Reservoir and then went on the Merrilands High School. She absolutely dotted her 'I's and crossed her 'T's! She was a perfectionist. Even on out of uniform days, Sue would wear her uniform, she liked order. Sue holds the record for the 100 yard swim in primary school. She was proud of this record and her Mum Fay is determined that the record will never be broken, quite simply it can't be – because the system changed to metric measurements, so Sue will always be the imperial champion. Long live that record! However what might shock you, is that it has come to light in recent times that Sue was not above bribery – at least where her brothers were concerned – she used to bribe her brother with Tim Tams to do some of her jobs!!

Sue met Ian tMarstaeller through mutual friends Paul and Gwen, they were both in the same wedding party in Sydney and got along very well and were never really apart again. Ian being a Sydney boy meant there was lots of commuting between the two of them going between Melbourne and Sydney and visiting each other. Many great times were had and memories were made then they were engaged! Sue didn't want to wait any longer and she proposed to him because it was a leap year! Not long later the wedding was held on the 24th of May 1980 and then Sue and Ian set up life in Sydney for two years before moving back to Melbourne again.

Sue worked in administration and secretarial roles where she had glowing references for her attention to detail and her efficiency, she worked until commencing a family and then Kim in 1983, Guy in 1986, Lee in 1988 and Ali in 1990. Sue's children were her whole world. She was devastated when Lee passed away, she absolutely adored her children.

When the kids were young Sue was busy being a Mum and taking care of all things family related. There are fond memories of her signature dishes, although each child had different favourites – some favourites were her sausage rolls, apple pikelets, her shepherds pie, tuna bake, roasts and apricot chicken. At times when Sue was busy with meetings some of these dishes were waiting for them to be self-served from the slow cooker!! The joys of having a busy Mum. Sue also made a great potato salad which was often brought over to events. Although the family are thinking Buderim ginger cordial sales may now plummet!! Sue was great at baking with the grandkids and made endless cakes and slices for them to enjoy.

The family home became the place to be and all the neighbourhood kids would visit for snacks or a swim or just to have a chat with Sue. The Australia Day festival started in the Marstaeller driveway and then more and more people came until it became a community event and had to move to the reserve. The Marstaellers would always cater for everyone! Particularly with a full pantry and 3 chest freezers full of food for everyone. This was especially handy in the black Saturday fires when they were feeding everyone.

Sue became like the white pages as everyone would ask her who to contact and where to go for things, she was very much your own directory assistance and the go to person for everything. This is part of what encouraged her to get involved in Council later on as she was always to go to person for everyone.

Sue's children were always on their best behaviour too because everyone knew Sue and whatever they had been up to was reported back to Mum long before they got home – so they were always best to just be honest! Sue always encouraged integrity and honesty above all else.

Sue did teach her children fiscal responsibility – if you borrowed something you had to pay it back and hence began the debt book... all sorts of things were recorded in the debt book.... All the neighbourhood children knew about it too if they borrowed from Sue.... She was always a Treasurer so she was keeping an eye on things. The kids are relieved to know the debt book has now been extinguished.

Sue also welcome international students on exchange programs and had several stay with the family over many years with the Honbetsu sister city program. The students learned a lot about the Australian Way of life.

Everyone was always welcome at the Marstaeller's – if that kitchen table could talk.... Its been a part of many a problem solving exercise and a haven to share issues. Its also signed and witnessed more documents than any other counter in the municipality. Sue would always welcome you with a cup of tea and a listening, non judgemental ear.

Sue worked at the International School for many years and would always have cakes and bakes for the students and make sure they felt supported. She would have many of the students over for BBQ's and they enjoyed meeting her family and of course all the other neighbourhood kids that were often too. Many great friendships were made.

Another occupation of Sue's that you might not know is that she provided Calligraphy services to the universities for thousands of achievement certificates, she provided calligraphy for lots of special certificates but one in particular was for the Surgeon's College. I wonder just how many medical professionals have a certificate completed by Sue and how many thousands of other certificates have her amazing penmanship hanging on walls all over the country. Sue also completed thousands of Citizenship certificates and completed countless wards. Sue also taught other people calligraphy and she was a patient and kind teacher.

Sue also helped people with their resumes' and would make sure everything was correct, she was so good at checking for grammar and spelling which would help people when applying for jobs and she had been a referee for so many people too. Sue really loved helping people get into rewarding positions and having job satisfaction.

Sue loved her crafts too and we have some of her scrapbooks here today, she made beautiful cards as well. She was so talented with her craft and sewing skills. And she really looked forward to her craft weekends with the girls. Only two weeks ago she was still hemming pants and making things for the grand kids. If she ever had any down time Sue liked to do her Crosswords and read from authors like JD Robb and Nora Roberts and Clive Cusler. She had all of their books in pristine condition. Although Fay has confessed she used to colour in the 0 on page 100 if she had already borrowed and read the book.... Sue would be livid if she knew – she treasured her books! Sue had recently discovered Temu for her craft supplies and those orders just keep on arriving!

Sue loved to shop and would always be generous with things she found and would say, I saw this and thought you would like it. For Christmas Sue would be prepared a whole year in advance with starting to stock up on presents to spoil the kids and grandkids. She loved Christmas. Often some stock up shopping occurred on the fundraising shopping tour buses as well. It was her favourite time of year. She loved everything about Christmas in bringing everyone together and celebrating.

Sue absolutely adored her grandchildren, nothing made a day brighter for Sue than spending time with her grand-kids. She loved to play the snake game with her crutch with the kids and would swish it around and they would jump over it. She was always finding fun ways to play with the kids.

Sue's involvement in the local community commenced when she moved from Thomastown to Heathcote Junction in 1989. It was a great way for her to meet people, to make new friends and to find new interests. Sue's first involvement in community groups came in the early 90's with her children joining pre-school, kinder and school where she joined the parents club and added her good fiscal skills to the role of treasurer. As the kids interests grew Sue became part of the Tennis Club and Basketball Club where she became a member. Sue was heavily involved in the Wandong Heathcote Junction Sports & Community Centre Committee at LB Davern reserve – there are so many ways she contributed including of course as Treasurer for many years. Sue was instrumental in so many things locally.

A few favourites were the Country Music Festival in the years it operated, and Neighbourhood Watch area co-ordinator for several clusters, and as editor of What's News newsletter for over 12 years.

Sue joined the Wandong Rural Fire Brigade in 1995 and held several roles within the brigade and achieved over 25 years of service, she was always a passionate advocate for the CFA and was instrumental in supporting community bank grants to the local CFA brigades.

In 2003 Sue became a Justice of the peace and member of the royal Victorian association of honorary justices, a role she carried out continuously for 21 years. Around the same time in 2003 Sue joined the Mitchell Tourism Development Group – and served for several years as a member as also a 3 year term as treasurer.

It was also in 2003 that Sue was elected as a Mitchell Shire Councillor, she served as a Councillor until 2016 and in that time, she served as Mayor for 3 terms. Sue was very proud to lead the team of Councillors and encouraged and inspired many other people to stand for Council. She was always a passionate advocate for making a difference at the coal face and she would never ask anyone to do something she wouldn't do herself. Sue didn't always get praise or support for her work with Councillor, but she had big shoulders and would always pursue worthy causes with an amazing sense of social conscience above all else and always with a focus of helping others. There are over 30 groups listed under Sue's support to local government but to name a few she was involved in the Australia Day Committee, the Wandong Public Hall committee, Mitchell Shire Governance Committee, Cultural Diversity Committee, Youth Strategy Committee, Municipal Emergency Management Planning Committee, Finance and Audit Committee, the Local Learning and Employment Network and Local Government Network and the Australian Local Government Women's Association group.

Sue loved the CWA, she loved the networking and the comradery of women and she was the foundation member in 1982 for the Mernda CWA branch. She held roles of President, Vice President and even craft leader in both the Mernda CWA and the South Morang Night Owls group. She achieved many great things with the CWA.

It was in 2004 that Sue became a foundation member of the Community Bank steering committee. Sue worked tirelessly to support the implementation of a local branch and this was extended from Wallan to Kilmore and then Broadford. Sue served on every committee, was Chair and more recently was Company Secretary. Sue had an eye for details in all she did and was always striving to find ways to support community groups with appropriate grants that help them flourish. Sue was instrumental in establishing a domestic violence safe house funded by the Community Bank.

Recently Sue became involved in the local learning and employment network where she had been chair and other roles. She loved seeing benefits that education and support could provide and was a great advocate for this network.

Sue was well respected in all levels of government, Rob Mitchell, Federal Member for McEwen has said it was a privilege to work with Sue, she was so unique in his quest to support others for no benefit of her own other than doing what was right and just. Jaelyn Symes, Victorian State Government Attorney General and Minister for Emergency Services has she was proud to work on many projects with Sue and she always knew Sue was dedicated to getting the best for her community, she said Sue will be irreplaceable in her commitment to helping others. Former MP Danielle Green said that Sue was absolutely fearless in the face of adversity and she was always stand up for what she believed in and to help others.

And she will be remembered for so many things, but as Sue would say, do unto others, what you want done to you.

Let's hope we can all try and live up to even a drop in the ocean of just what Sue has done for others. Sue would never shrink herself to fit anyone else's mould, she was relentless in pursuing social justice, she stood up for what was right. She was kind, she was fierce, she was a rock and provided help and advice to so many people, Sue was amazing.

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**Weather Report -
Heathcote Junction/Wandong
SEPTEMBER 2024**

At long last, we appear to be getting relief from the winter conditions. Diurnal temperatures during the month showed some improvement whilst nocturnal temperatures were still quite cold.

Rainfall was low with a total of 52 mls – of which 23 mls was recorded on the 11th September. The balance was spread over 13 days. Our domestic supply dam, Sunday Creek is still holding at 100%.

Stats - Rainfall

September 2024	-	52 mls
Previous year	-	24.5 mls
Average prev 10 years	-	60 mls
Total this year	-	601 mls
T otal prev year	-	456.5 mls

MAKE A DIFFERENCE - BECOME A VOLUNTEER

If you are young, elderly, retired or working, please consider joining a community group and enjoy the rewards of volunteering. Join one of the community groups operating in Wandong Heathcote Junction.

Wandong Heathcote Junction Community Group Inc: Call 0413 832 411

Wandong Wallan Lions Club: Call 0418 142 172

Wandong History Group: Call 0432 120 736

QUIZ ANSWERS (from page 27)

1. Fitzroy
2. Junction Oval
3. Keir Starmer
4. Princess Charlotte
5. Eight
6. Purple
7. Kangaroo
8. Cathy Freeman
9. Mitcheal Phelps (23)
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11. Fruit
12. Nepal and China
13. New Orleans
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Kilmore and District U3A hosted a morning tea on Friday 4th October in celebration of the 40th anniversary of U3A in Australia. We were joined by the Wallan group and enjoyed a trivia competition followed by a great morning tea and a singalong with the ukulele class. The Wallan and Kilmore trivia convenors came up with 10 questions each relating to the classes available in each district and our president asked another four about U3A in general. It was a lot of fun and was well attended, the winning table receiving chocolate for their efforts.

The luncheon group will have managed 15 different venues this year. On last count we have just over 60 people signed up and we continue to be very well supported this year, with all our last three lunches having over 30 attendees. It is a very nice days outing, a great way to make new friends and have a laugh or two. The meals seem secondary as we are still there chatting up to an hour after finishing! In saying this we have also had excellent feedback on how good value, lovely meals we have all had this year. If you haven't tried coming this year it is still not too late. We have four lunches left for 2024.

Both the recorder ensemble and the ukulele group performed a Celtic themed musical interlude at the Kilmore Community Garden open day on September 21st. Playing was a bit challenging with heavy rain and blustery winds making things difficult, but despite the inclement weather, the event was well attended and the hot jacket potatoes with sour cream, cheese and chives from the garden were delicious and soon sold out.

The ukulele group also played for the residents at the Dianella Hostel and were well received by everyone involved. The singing along and foot tapping was infectious and we all had a wonderful time, so much so that we now have a regular gig there on the second Wednesday of the month.

U3A is open to people over 50 who are no longer working full time and is a fun and cost effective way to learn new skills, to meet like-minded people and to socialise. We are a friendly and approachable bunch and if you already belong to another U3A branch, you can join as an associate member for only \$5.00. Check out the website at <https://u3akilmoreanddistrict.com.au/> or contact us at info@u3akilmoreanddistrict.com.au

Cheers, Amanda Oades

Hello Readers,

This month, October 2024, marked the 40th Anniversary of U3A in Victoria.

A number of our members were invited to attend a morning tea function in the Kilmore U3A rooms at the JJ Clancy Reserve in celebration of this event.

It was a great success, featuring the U3A Kilmore Ukulele players and joint Kilmore and Wallan Trivia quiz, with all attendees enjoying the singalong and social activities.

This month's luncheon was at the Craigieburn Sports Club and was thoroughly enjoyed by all those members who attended.

'Trivia with John' is again on the 3rd Friday of this month, being the 18th of October, starting at 1pm sharp. Everyone is invited, we usually have teams of 4 people, consisting of 4 rounds of questions, including a music round, followed by a bonus question with a prize pool of around \$50.

Our Walking Group meets every Friday morning at the Wallan Neighbourhood House entrance for a 9.30am start, walkers of different levels of fitness are welcome to come along.

We are all looking forward to our Social Dance on Friday the 8th November starting at 6.30pm. It is held in the Senior Citizen's Hall of the Wallan Neighbourhood House.

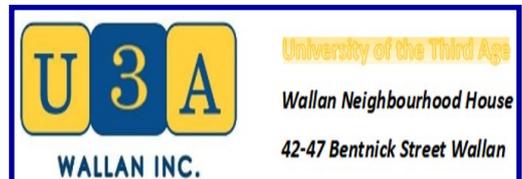
The cost is \$10 per head, we provide the entertainment, pizzas, tea & coffee plus a raffle with many prizes. Attendees are asked to bring a plate with dessert and their own drinks.

Please contact me for more details and to book a table - John, contact number 0413 083 089

For further details on all our activities at U3A Wallan please visit our website, <http://u3awallan.org.au>

Looking forward to seeing you,

John Lanhier - President



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Hello! Is that sunshine? Could Spring really be here? We hope so there's plenty going on here at the House and a bit of sunshine will make life a whole lot easier! Put the footy away and get ready to have the cricket playing in the background! Hate cricket? Find out what's on at the House via our website www.wchi.com.au where you can book online or call us on 9716 3361.

Whittlesea Community House AGM will be held on Thursday 17th October at 11.00am. Come along and be part of your community. Join our committee, become a volunteer. Get involved!

Workshops at Whittlesea Community Garden

Seed Collecting Thursday 17th October 10.30am – Noon FREE

Visy Recycling

Over the counter recycling is available Monday, Wednesday and Thursday each week 10am – 3pm and Saturdays from 8am – 4pm. Please note that we are not open on Public Holidays.

Got some time on your hands and looking for an easy and regular volunteering role (perhaps to meet your Centrelink obligations). Look no further! Our recycling team is seeking volunteers for regular shifts call 9716 3361 to discuss.

Are you a group or club? Did you know that you can register as a donation partner and receive the 10 cent return on recyclable items as a donation from the community? Go to <https://cdsvic.org.au/donation-partner-registration>

Community Meals

Big Blokes Brunch meet at the Whittlesea Community Activity Centre on Tuesdays! Join the blokes for brunch each week:

Tuesdays 11.00am – Noon \$2.00 per person

Ladies Lunch -join the ladies who lunch each fortnight at the Whittlesea Community Activity Centre. Thursday 24th October 11.30am – 1.00pm \$2.00 per person

First Aid (CPR, Provide First Aid & Provide First Aid in an Emergency in an Education & Care Setting)

Online learning + face to face Saturday 30th November \$85/\$150/\$195

Boat Licence

Our next Boast Licence

Saturday 19th October 9.00am – 1.00pm \$150 per person

Students from 12 years are eligible, PWC issued to >16 years

Op Shop Tours

We are trekking to Op Shops all over Melbourne twice a month in 2024 and you can join us. Different route each month! These trips sell out fast so grab a friend and join the fun:

Saturday 2nd & 9th November 9am – 4.30pm \$20 per person

Feel free to bring a snack to share on the Bus there will be a lunch stop.

Metal Detecting

Saturday 16th November 1.00pm – 4.00pm \$10 per person

Fix It Friday RETURNS!

Fix it Friday is returns this month! Sweep your problems into a pile and bring them to our experts for real help that doesn't involve a queue or a call centre!

Meet experts from Whittlesea Community Connections, Social Worker, Espresso Legal, Uniting Financial Counselling, NDIS, Centrelink and Neami National (Mental Health Program), Victoria Police, My Aged Care, No Interest Loan Scheme, Haven Homesafe, Gamblers Help and heaps more!

Call 9716 3361 to register in advance, it's FREE

Friday 25th October 10am – 1.00pm

Pop in during open hours for a cuppa Mon – Thurs 10am – 3pm. Food relief pantry packs are available during office hours or visit our community pantry 7 days a week open all hours (out the front of the House – 92A Church St). Pet food relief is also available for dog and cat food during office hours.

Kilmore Golf Club Inc.

October means the start of Club Championship competitions. The Men play 4 Rd and the Ladies 3. Competitions commence Saturday 5th October.



The Club has a number of Special Deals.

Football/ Netball players can play golf for \$350 any day of the week. Get a handicap and enjoy membership benefits. This offer ends 31st March 2025. If interested contact 0427258081 or visit our website

Distance membership \$400 pro rata if you live more than 40 km from Kilmore. Enjoy the benefits of playing on a well maintained and quiet course.

Social Pass. \$300. This offer finishes 31st March 2025. Play golf at a time to suit you.

Coming Events

Try Golf Day. Once again, Kilmore will be conducting a Try Golf Day on Sunday Nov. 10th There is no cost and the day is open to anyone who wants to try golf. Registration at 10 am for a 10.30 tee off. Free BBQ after the event and drinks at members prices.

Cup Day 1st Nov 2024. Golf and lunch \$25 pp This is a 4-person Ambrose event Men/Mixed

More information and further details are on the website kilmoregolfclub.com.au
KGC welcome all players.

The golf shop is not always tended so if players wish to hire carts please contact the club via phone 57821123 or 0437712973 a day before. Carts will not be hired after 12.30 pm.

For walking players use the Honesty box to make payments \$25 weekdays & \$30 weekends. Alternatively, payment can be made by direct debit (instructions in the box)

The function room is available for hire for community groups by emailing info@kilmoregolfclub.com.au or ph.: 57821123 and leaving a message.

Enjoy a game of golf without the crowds in peaceful surroundings and play a well-maintained golf course. Meet our friendly members.

WANDONG PUBLIC HALL

Our Annual General Meeting was held on Wednesday 25th September with the following committee elected. President - Christine Gordon, Vice President - Allen Hall, Secretary - Linda Martin-Chew, Treasurer - David Moran.

The Wandong Public Hall built in 1902 is a very special place in our community. It has hosted many engagements, weddings, receptions, Art Shows, Australia Day Celebrations, birthdays, anniversary parties and many other events and even the occasional funeral service.

Our regular user groups are always keen to have more people joining them and they are listed below..

The Craft Group meet every Monday, it's an informal group, bring along some lunch and an activity. There is always someone to help with crafty questions.

The Lightwood Flats Book Club meet monthly - contact is Christine Cram Ph : 0458 238 270

Wandong Country Knitters meet monthly- contact is Coralee Souter Ph: 0479 163 548

Wandong Heathcote Junction Community Group meet monthly Ph: 0413 832 411

Rock N Roll Dance Sunday Arvo meet monthly Text 0408 548 524

We are always in need of new members from the community who would like to assist in the care of the hall and it's upkeep or even running a group so that it will be there in our community into the future.

To hire the hall please contact Christine for bookings or other information on 0448 604 770. Please leave a message or text for Christine to follow up.

Gardens for Wildlife GVW Water Week event

One of Victoria's foremost advocates on drought tolerant gardens and a celebrated figure with the Gardens for Wildlife program will be special guest of Goulburn Valley Water at a National Water Week event in Kilmore later this month.

Louise Costa, a landscape architect from Rushworth who transformed her 16-hectare property from regrowth forest to a safe space for native fauna and a thriving space for indigenous flora, will present Let's Grow: Waterwise Gardens at Kilmore Trackside on 22 October.

The free event is from 11.30am until 1.30pm and anyone interested in gardening or keen to follow her lead and harmonise with their natural environments is invited to register. A light lunch is available and there are lucky door prizes.

She is well known for her involvement in major garden projects throughout the region, having had a lead role in the design of the Shepparton Botanical Gardens at Kialla, the Climate Ready Garden at the Euroa Arboretum and a major landscaping project at Mitchelton Wines.

Goulburn Valley Water Managing Director Dr Steve Capewell said there were a number of messages that would be delivered during Water Week, among the most important recognition that "the climate is changing and so are we".

"One of our key commitments is ensuring we care for the environment while delivering our core services, and looking at a sustainable water future is an important theme for National Water Week this year.

"People like Louise encourage us all to expand our thinking and as the region grows it is important to consider how this development will impact on our surrounds," he said

Her address will focus on subject matter including providing a habitat which is friendly for animals, birds and insects, observing your surrounds and planning your garden space accordingly, along with what and when to plant.

"The drying climate is an opportunity to rethink the way we build our gardens.

"If we can learn from nature, we will not only have gardens that are tolerant to drought; they will also be low maintenance beautiful spaces where we can celebrate the wonder of the natural environment in our own backyards," Louise said.

Louise's event is part of a week-long celebration of Water Week by GVW, which starts on Monday 21 October and includes events at Mooropna, Cobram, Shepparton and Mansfield.

For more details on the event, which will be held in Kilmore Trackside's Golden Reign Room from 11.30am until 1.30pm, contact GVW Education Officers Lizzi Lewis or Kristy Elrington at waterweek@gvwater.vic.gov.au. Places are limited, register your attendance at www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/community/national-water-week.

Tap off and tune in this Water Night in the Goulburn Valley

Goulburn Valley Water is urging people to sign up to Water Night, a free event similar to Earth Hour, which encourages people to become more aware of their household water use.

Water Night asks people to turn off all non-essential taps from 5pm to 10pm on Thursday 24 October, which is during National Water Week. That's right – no dishwashers, showers, or running water, but we do encourage you to set aside water for drinking, cooking and sanitation.

People who sign up will go in the draw to win prizes specific to Goulburn Valley Water customers, including VISA gift cards and stainless steel reusable drink bottles. There are also national prizes to win, including a dishwasher, coffee machine, wireless headphones, a smartwatch and more.

Water Night is also designed to help create more awareness of how people can save water at home – you can find more tips, or calculate your house's water usage, at www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/everydropcounts People can sign up at www.waternight.com.au and nominating Goulburn Valley Water as their water utility, or find more information at www.gvwater.vic.gov.au/water-night

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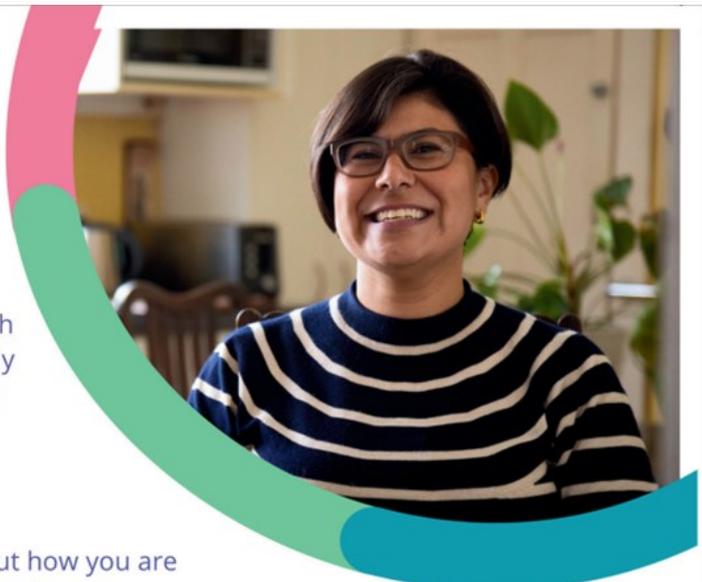
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WANDONG TENNIS CLUB

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Information is posted on our Facebook page.

www.facebook.com/wandongtennis

Congratulations to our Saturday afternoon team who were runners up in the grand final.



Well done to Aaron Crawford, Lisa Kelly, Andrew Brooks. Absent Dylan Hall and Tyson Burmeister

We currently have no power at the LB Davern reserve due to thieves stealing the copper wiring and ripping out all our electrical wiring. This means no tennis lights. Hopefully it will be fixed soon

Coaching is available at the club
Please contact Karl on 0423 611 317 or kv.tennis@hotmail.com

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